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THE "IMPROVED ROADS" LAW

In another column will be found the law providing for the issuance of $300,000 of bonds by this county for the purpose of building improved roads. The Levy Court has decided to use $110,000 of this amount during the present year, leaving $190,000 to be expended in 1908. In addition to this there will be spent the $10,000 provided for in the tax levy and $10,000 appropriated by the state. These last two sums will also be spent next year, making a total expenditure of $340,000 in two years. In the two years St. Georges Hundred will have $36,500 or more spent for modern roads. The first road to be built as specified in the act will be from Mt. Pleasant to Boyd's Corner. It is probable that this road will be built this year. Next year, the road from the western boundary of Middletown to the the Maryland line will be built. It is understood that out of the $20,000 annual appropriation, the road from Mt. Pleasant to Summit Bridge is to be rebuilt. This road lies half in St. Georges and half in Pencader Hundreds. Appoquinimink Hundred this year will secure a road from Pine Tree to Odessa thus completing the one built last year from Townsend to Pine Tree and making a modern highway between the two towns. Blackbird Hundred is to have a road from Taylor's Bridge to Fleming's Bridge, the surveyors being at work there this week.

No announcement has been made of the kind of roads to be built in the different sections but we hope that some of them in this territory may be gravel properly constructed. The stone macadam is too hard for a farming community such as ours.

HISTORY OF FAMOUS CASE

The dismissal of the boundary case between Delaware and New Jersey in the Supreme Court of the United States announced recently removes a case which has been pending for many years.

The controversy first appeared in the Supreme Court on March 13, 1877, but it really began in 1871, when the Legislature of Delaware, claiming the right under the original grant to the state to exclusive jurisdiction of the river to low water mark on the New Jersey shore, passed an act for the protection of its fishermen which required those from other states who fished in Delaware waters to take out a yearly license, costing $20, under penalty of a heavy fine and confiscation of nets and boats. The fight raged for two years. New Jersey fishermen caught within the so-called "twelve-mile circle" being jailed and their apparatus impounded. In 1873 a truce was declared, the Delaware Legislature suspending the obnoxious law and agreeing to the settlement of the controversy by a commission composed of three members from each state. The commissioners were appointed, but did nothing.

In 1875, when the Delaware members of the commission had apparently finished their labors and were discharged, the conflict was renewed and the seizing of boats resumed. It continued until March 13, 1877, when, upon the order of the New Jersey Legislature, the case was brought to the Supreme Court of the United States for adjudication, another truce being agreed to by the officials of the two states. No arguments were ever heard, despite the efforts of successive chief justices to have the case disposed of, and it remained at the head of the docket for thirty-eight years, through posponements requeted by one or the other party to the controversy.

Two years ago the Legislatures of Delaware and New Jersey reached an agreement which settled the controversy.

FARM LABOR IN FLORIDA

Florida farmers have been greatly perplexed about securing help, even more so than Delaware farmers, if we are to judge by the following, clipped from the *Palatka News*.

"With a situation where as much as $3 a day is being offered for vegetable pickers and packers and no takers, a condition which at present obtains in sections of this state, it looks like one ofthe, most important duties confronting our public mens is a strenuoust effort to secure such immigration as would relieve the labor congestion. As an instance of how hard it is to get anybody to do anything, we may cite the city council of Lakeland advertising for a man who was wanted merely to circulate a public subscription paper offering to pay $2.50 a day and was unable to secure anybody ta take the job."

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CHESAPEAKE CITY ITEMS

Edward Carter, of Elkton, spent Sunday with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. James O. Willis and daughter, of Baltimore, were the guest of his mother, Mrs M. E. Willis, on Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Kibler is visiting in Philadelphia.

H. W. Sherman was a Philadelphia visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Woolley spent Tnursday in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pierce and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Lum, near Cayote.

Dr. C. C. Laws was a Baltimore visitor last week.

John M. Brown is spending a few days in Philadelphia.

Mrs. John Lupfer and son have been visiting friends in Elkton.

Miss Elizabeth Hudson, of St. Augustine, visited friends in town last week.

Mrs. George Houck and children are visiting in Philadelphia.

Mrs. James S. Hooper was the delegate from the Presbyterian Church to the Annual Missionary Convention, which was held last week at Princess Anne, Md.

Mrs. S. M. Verdier and daughter, of Norfolk, Va., are the guests of Mrs E. H. Banks.

Misses Ida and Mary Bouchelle visited Mrs. H. W. Kibler several days last week.

Superintendent George Biddle, of Elkton, visited the High and public schools last Monday.

A concert will be given in the Masonic Hall, on Wednesday evening by Prof. W. T. T. Harrington, assisted by Miss Louise Elder. Miss Margaret Virginia Jones, Wilmington's finest dramatic and humorous reader will also be present. For the past week Prof. Harrington and Miss Elder have had a singing class, with a good attendance, in the Presbyterian lecture room. The admission for the concert is 15 and 25 cents.

A "Mum Social" will be held at the home of Mr. John McKeown, on Friday evening, April 26th, for the benefit of Back Creek Neck Sunday School.

The Daughters of America, held a sociable at the home of Mrs. Edward Bell one evening last week.

In honor of his eighty-fifth birthday Mr. Stephen Hayes received quite a number of post cards from his friends. Mr. Hayes enjoys the best of health.

Arbor day was appropriately celebrated on Friday afternoon in our schools.

The first game of base ball was played on Saturday afternoon between the Chesapeake City High School and the Middletown team. The score being 6 to 5 in favor of "our boys." It was an eleven inning contest.

The annual town election will be held on May 6th, between the hours of one and seven.

The monthly meeting of the Home and Foreign Missionary Society will be held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Steele on Friday afternoon.

The regular meeting of the Town Board was held last Monday evening, April 8th.

A town meeting will be held, probably in the Masonic Hall, on Monday evening April 22d, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Town Commissioners and Bailiff.

The present Board of Town Commissioners, Messrs. Caldwell, Schaefer, Hager, Steele and Cooling, have reduced the bonded debt of Chesapeake City from $4,000 to $5,000. The second bond of $500 was paid April 8th. This will make a saving to the town of $50 interest for the coming year and this $50 can be used for permanent improvements. Eight bonds of $500 each yet remain to be paid and the citizens of Chesapeake City should see that one is paid annually. On these eight remaining bonds, $200 must be paid in interest annually to the Chesapeake City National Bank.

CHARGED WITH BRIBERY

Detective Frederick Murphy's destiny underwent a transformation Tuesday when his role changed from the hunter to the hunted. The Dover sleuth, who has gained quick fame as a detective in the Marvin adduction case and as being on the close tract of the real little Horace Marvin, must now stand trial to free himself of a charge that might mean two years at work at Greenbank. Deputy Attorney-General Hastings swore out a writ for Murphy for attempting to bribe voters at the recent election in Delaware, a very serious offence under the state constitution, and specifically for attempting to to purchase the vote of one railroad workman, Elmer Abbott. The information is now being prepared for presentation to the Judges in criminal courts at Dover next week along with that against Garrett S. Wharton who was arrested on Monday for attempting the purchase of the vote of William S. Hurd. He was arraigned before Judge Pennewill who held him to bail in $1,000.

WARWICK

Mrs. John Manlove, of Cecilton, spent Saturday with Mrs. William Vinyard.

Miss Bessie Gunkle has returned from spending several days with friends in Baltimore.

Mrs. Mary Anna Lofland has returned from spending a few weeks with Mrs John Stephens, in Cecilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Urie Ginn, of McDonough, spent Sunday last with her mother, Mrs. Verena Vinyard.

A kitchen shower was given Mr. and Mrs. Charles Price, Jr., of Middletown, last Wednesday evening.

Miss Emma Manlove, of Middletown, has been spending a few days with Miss Minnie Smith.

Miss Minnie Smith had her new spring hat stolen from the back of her carriage at Middletown last Wednesday evening.

Frank Day and wife, of Baltimore, have returned home from visiting his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Day and sister, Mrs. George Goldsborough.

The friends of Rev. Cain and wife were sorry to see them leave this week for his new charge at Salem. He will be succeeded by Rev. J. C. Cullom.

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CECILTON

Mr. James P. McCoy has returned home on business trip.

Mr. Thomas Hall, of Elk Neck, spent a few days in town this week.

Mr. J. Capelle, of Pittsburg, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Stephens.

Messrs. Clifford and Frederica Hoover are playing ball in Chester, Pa.

Mrs. Jennie Clark was entertained by Mrs. R. W. Blackway on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Budd spent over Sunday with relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. Ernest Rickards, of Philadelphia, spent several days with Miss Mollie Rickards this week.

Mrs. Edgar Pearce, of Philadelphia, has been visiting her parents, Mr. Charles Bennett and wife.

Mrs. Fred Myers, daughter and son have returned home from visiting relatives in Baltimore.

Miss Ethel Vinyard, of Warwick, spent several days last week with her cousin, Miss Edna Stephens.

Misses Laverta and Lillie Ferguson spent Sunday with their grandmother, Mrs. M. E. Ferguson.

Mr. William Freeman, Jr., is visiting his parents, Mr. William Freeman and wife, in Philadelphia.

Mr. George Padley, wife and son George Hill spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. Frank Padley and wife.

Miss Mary Anderson, of Still Pond, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. R. Anderson and wife.

Mr. Dallis Manlove, of Philadelphia, has returned after spending one week with his parents, Mr. John C. Manlove and wife.

Mr. James H. Smith, Mr. William Luthringer and Mr. Louis Freeman are attending the Jr. O. U. A. M. Convention at Cumberland this week.

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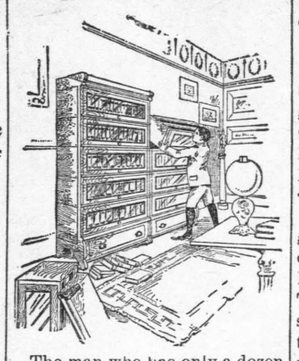

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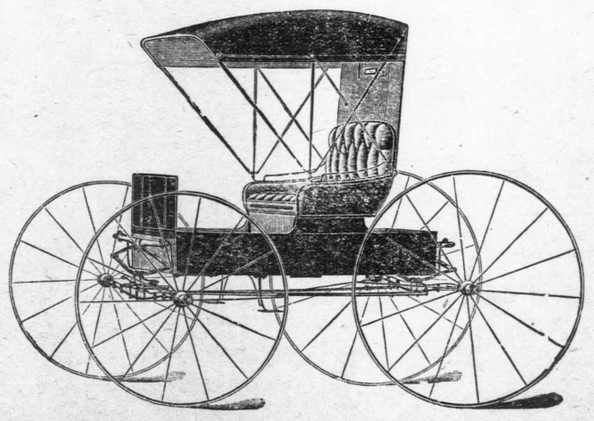

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Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—7.5.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a. m. and 4.45 p. m.

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FOR RENT—Dwelling and stable, East Main street, formerly occupied by John W. Solway. Possession 25th April.
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E. H. Beck, Real Estate Broker, has sold the house and lot in Hamtown belonging to Schee M. Lockwood to Rachel Turner of Port Penn, for $700.00.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post-office for the week ending April 11th: Mr. William Black, Mr. Eugene Gooves, Mr. Halcomb.

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Wilmington, Del.

Up-to-date dental work at moderate cost. Dr. Johnson, Middletown.

You don't have to go to the city to hear the latest Edison Phonograph Records. WALTER MONRO has them.

REMOVAL.—Dr. G. B. Pearson has moved his offices to second floor of the building adjoining Citizens' Bank over A. G. Cox'office.

ROSE COMB RHODE ISLAND RED EGGS FOR SALE. These birds are great egg producers, fine table fowls, and extremely hardy. I have the finest pens of reds in the State, and a visit to my yards will convince you of the truthfulness of this statement.
C. P. COCHRAN,
Middletown, Del.

Let us do your printing, no matter how small the order, and give us a chance to prove how well we can do it.

FOR SALE.—Cabbage, Tomato, Lettuce, Sweet Potato and Egg Plants in season. C. R. CLAYTON, Cass St., Middletown, Del.

Mr. E. C. Loud, representing the I. P. Thomas, Fertilizer Co., of Philadelphia, is in town and will remain in this vicinity to assist Mr. G. L. Cochran, the local representative, in the sale of spring fertilizers.

FOR SALE.—One mower, 1 spray pump, 1 drill, 1 potato planter, 1 hay rake and 1 weeder. Having disposed of my farm, the above articles are for sale, and can be seen at the residence of Mr. F. J. Pennington near Odessa. They are all in good repair. W. E. LEE,
Middletown, Del.

Head Troubles are usually caused by Eye Strain. If you have headaches have your eyes examined for the trouble. Examination Free Satisfaction Guaranteed. M. B. Burstan, Optician, East Main street, Middletown.

Mr. E. H. Beck, the Real Estate Agent and Money Broker, has a new ad. in this issue. He is offering several desirable farms at prices which are likely to sell them quick. See what he has to say elsewhere in this paper.

During the year 1906 about 1800 marriage licenses were issued in New Castle county, being the largest number of marriage licenses ever issued in this county in one year. In addition to the donations made the officiating clergymen, there has been about $5.000 added to the state revenue through this channel.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of this town will give a supper in the room recently vacated by Mr. Fred Brady, in the Opera House building, on April 26th, from 5 to 8 P. M. A first-class cold supper, including cold ham and tongue, rolls and biscuit, potato salad, jellies, pickles and cake, with delicious hot coffee or tea, will be served for the moderate price of twenty cents. Ice cream will be extra. Homemade candies and fine cake will be for sale. Come and buy your cake for Sunday and help the Union in their good work.

Oxalic Acid for sale at Lee's Pharmacy.

Local fruit growers are greatly concerned over the prospects for a fruit crop this season owing to the cold weather of the past few weeks. Many of the growers differ in their opinions, and some of the "wise ones" put little confidence in any of the reports made.

Owing to the absence of the president and first vice-president, the second vice-president, Mrs. H. B. McDowell presided at the meeting of the New Century Club last Tuesday. The programme for next Tuesday's meeting includes: Reading, "Among the Fishermen of Scotland," Miss Emma Kelley; Paper, "The Political conditions of Ireland," Mrs. Richard Cann; Music.

The secret for burning ashes with coal has been tried by several Middletown people, and the majority of them consider the remarkable discovery a decided success. Messrs. S. E. Lewis and Leon de Valinger have undoubtedly given the discovery a thorough test, and are convinced that the coal ashes which our people usually have carted away, have considerable value as a fuel. Mr. de Valinger is confident that he can keep a constant fire for a period of 24 hours at a cost not exceeding four cents.

Messrs. Cook & Brady, proprietors of the Middletown Farms Creamery, will move into their new creamery during the coming week. The building is fire proof in every respect, being constructed of concrete blocks. It is one of the largest and best equipped creameries in the country and the machinery which has been installed is of the latest and best to be attained. The proprietors take more than ordinary interest in their plant in the way of beautifying its surroundings, and have just set out a row of Norway maple trees, on the south side of Cochran street and extending from St. Joseph's Catholic Church to the creamery. It is the intention of the proprietors to have a regular visiting day each week when visitors may call and be shown through the building.

JOHN P. DUNNING DEAD

The death of John P. Dunning, the noted war correspondent, which occurred wednesday in the Samaritan Hospital, in Philadhlphia, recalled one of the most remarkable ciminal cases in the annals of the United States. Dunning had gained international fame by sending to the Associated Press a 30,000-word story of the great hurricane that ended the Samoan difficulties in 1889 by the smashing of ships of the United States and Germany on the shores of Apia Bay.

While in San Francisco Dunning met Mrs. Cordelia Botkin. A box of candy alleged to have been poisioned, was sent from that city to Dover, Del., and received by Dunning's wife. She and her sister-in-law died, and Mrs. Botkin was arrested.

Three trials resulted disastrously for Mrs. Botkin. The first two juries found the woman guilty in the first degree but recommended a life sentence. The third verdict was "guilty in the first degree," without any mention of mercy. She was saved by the Court of Appeals and is now serving a life sentence.

After giving testimony at the first trial of the woman he believed had slain his wife Dunning went to Cuba and was with President Roosevelt's Rough Riders. He sent out the first story of the ambuscade Las Guasimas, in which Hamilton Fish was killed. He had been in Philadelphia for the past three years and was recently employed on the *Press* His body was taken to Dover and buried beside the remains of his wife.

Mr. Dunning was born in Middletown, and was the son of Mr. D. L. Dunning a former post master here, who now resides in Philadelphia.

BASE BALL

Middletown, 5—Chesapeake City, 6

The local base ball team played its first game of the season on Saturday last at Chesapeake City, Md. It was necessary to play eleven innings to decide the contest, and in their half of that inning the Maryland team succeeding in scoring one run which decided the game in their favor. The score by innings follow:

	R.	H.	E.
Middletown 0 0 0 0 0 5 0 0 0 0 0	5	5	3
Chesa. City 4 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1	6	6	5

Batteries—Jolls and Gibbs for Middletown and Watson and Savin for Chesapeake. Umpire, Steel.

The Chesapeake City team is booked to play here this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

MORE TALK OF GOOD ROADS

The Levy Court Tuesday directed Highway Commissioner Price to prepare plans for improving the Newport turnpike from the Wilmington line to Newport, and the Lancaster pike from the city line to the Mill Creek hundred line.

Mr. Hopkins reported that the court's attorney, Sylvester D. Townsend, had advised him that the collector of road taxes in Brandywine hundred will be responsible to the county for the uncollected road taxes of the hundred. An act of the recent Legislature abolished the office of road tax collector.

Satterfield State's Attorney

DOVER, DEL., April 16th.—Captain James F. Satterfield, last night was appointed Deputy Attorney General for Kent County by Attorney-General Richards. Mr. Satterfield is a graduate of Wilmington High School, Wilmington Conference Academy and Law School, and studied law with George Massey Jones. He is considered one of the best equipped lawyers of Delaware. He is commander of Company G, Delaware National Guard.

The Little Light Bearers

The little Light-Bearers of the Foreign Missionary Society will give an entertainment in the lecture room of the M. E. Church on Friday evening, April 26th. One of the features will be the opening of mite boxes. A musical and literary program will be given. Everybody is invited.

"Come to our mite-box party,
And bring along a dime,
We're going to have a program
And the nicest kind of a time."

FARMERS ATTENTION

We are prepared to furnish from our warehouses at Middletown and Bear, Del., all brands of Phosphate and Materials by the bag or ton, for Asparagus, Corn, Tomatoes and all other crops. Also Limoid and Spraying Oil. Get our prices before buying.

JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

PERSONALITIES

Miss Hattie R. Cullen spent Monday in Philadelphia.

Miss Lillian Walker is visiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. Charles Orth, of Wilmington, was in town Sunday.

Mrs. C. R. Cochran, who has been quite ill, is improving.

Miss Helen Biggs is the guest of relatives in New York City.

Mrs. L. V. Morrison, of Granogue, was in town one day last week.

Miss Elizabeth J. Hopkins was a Wilmington visitor on Thursday.

Mrs. J. Z. Crossland was the guest of Wilmington relatives on Monday.

Miss Grace Weller, of Cumberland, Md., has been visiting Miss Dora Price.

Miss Susan Arthurs, of Kenton, has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. M. B. Burris.

Miss Florie Owens, of Perryville, Md., spent part of this week with friends here.

Capt. W. E. Lee and daughter, Mrs. I. B. Dukes spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Mrs. J. R. Brown has returned from an extended visit with relatives in Reading, Pa.

Mr. A. W. Lofland, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Manlove, near town.

Mrs. John S. Crouch has returned from Atlantic City, very much improved in health.

Mrs. Alice Conwell, of Washington, D. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. R. Cochran.

Miss Emily Brazier, of Philadelphia, spent part of this week with Miss Marian Cochran,

Mrs. T. H. Hardcastle, of Baltimore, Md., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. A. Comegys.

Dr. F. H. Moore attended the Presbytery which met at Pocomoke City, Md., this week.

Miss Blanche Roberts has returned home after a two weeks visit with Wilmington relatives.

Mrs. C. J. Freeman returned home on Thursday, after a week's visit with relatives in Philadelphia.

Miss Maude Deakyne, of New Castle, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Deakyne and wife.

Mrs. W. P. Cullen spent several days this week with friends and relatives in Philadelphia and Wilmington.

Little Alden Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Reese Parker, who was taken to the Hahnemann Hospital, Philadelphia, last week, and operated on for appendicitis, is improving. The little fellow, who is but 5 years old, stood the operation remarkably well.

HYMENIAL

MOORE-BUEHM

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Buehm on East Main street, a pretty wedding took place on Monday afternoon at two o'clock when their daughter, Florence Mae, was united in marriage to Mr. Horace Culbertson Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moore of this town.

The ceremony was performed by Elder John F. Jones of Wilmington, in the presence of the relatives of the contracting parties and a few of their friends. The parlor where the ceremony was performed, was decorated with palms and potted plants and presented a beautiful appearance.

The bride wore a pearl traveling suit, and was attended by Miss Sylvia Moore, sister of the groom, of Cheltenham, Pa., as maid of honor, who was attired in a gray suit, with white net waist over taffeta. The groom was attended by Mr. Ernest Windel of West Chester, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore left on the 4.16 train for Washington and other points of interest. They returned home on Thursday afternoon and began housekeeping in a cozy home on North Broad street. THE TRANSCRIPT joins their numerous friends in extending congratulations.

ST. GEORGES

Mrs. Bird spent Friday in Wilmington.

Mrs. George Hill spent Friday in Newark.

Miss Marion Hill was in Delaware City on Monday.

Walter Smith visited Delaware City on Wednesday.

Thomas H. Swan spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

John Gam spent one day this week in Wilmington.

Mrs. George Vincent was in Delaware City on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gam spent Sunday with friends in New Castle.

William Heisel is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Martha Heisel.

Mrs. A. J. Davidson was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cooling Haman.

Mrs. Frank Shonel and Miss Julia Paynter spent Friday in Wilmington.

Rev. Jones of the M. E. Church was a Wilmington visitor on Wednesday.

T. Bayard Heisel visited his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith, on Sunday.

Miss Clarene Barnett is spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lewis.

Mrs. Thomas Lewis and son were the guests of Mrs. Peterson one day this week.

Mrs. Lee Davidson was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Elida Jones, one day this week.

Miss Julia Paynter was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Swain and family on Wednesday.

Miss Myrtle Swartz left on Thursday for Paulsboro, N. Y., where she has accepted a position.

Frank Kronemier, of Wilmington, was the guest of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shonel, on Monday.

Miss Katie Swartz, of Paulsboro, N. Y., was the guest of her father, John Swartz and family, on Wednesday.

Mrs. George Swain was the guest of Wilmington friends from Wednesday until Saturday of last week.

Miss Lucie Hill, of Wilmington, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hill and family, on Sunday.

Mrs. Crozier, of Wilmington, was the guest of her daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Jones, from Wednesday until Saturday.

Removal Notice

Dr. D. W. Lewis' office will be located in the house vacated by Joshua Crossland East Main street, after March 25th, until his new officers are completed on North Broad street.

ODESSA

Miss May C. Enos is visiting relatives in Philadelphia this week.

Miss Ethel L. Mailly spent Saturday last with friends in Philadelphia.

Clarence George and Albert Donovan visited friends in Wilmington last week.

Miss Frances E. Husbands was the guest of Wilmington friends on Saturday last.

Miss Helen Weldon, of Townsend, is visiting her mother, Mrs. William A. Rhoades.

Mrs. William H. Eccles spent Saturday in Wilmington, the guest of Mrs. Laura Skellenger.

Miss Emma B. Eccles was the guest of relatives in Wilmington from Saturday until Monday.

Harry H. Hunn, of Chester, spent Saturday and Sunday last with his father, George Hunn.

Isaac G. Lightcap, Sr., spent Wednesday in Smyrna, the guest of his brother, Joseph Lightcap.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lightcap and son Delaware spent Sunday last in Smyrna, the guests of friends.

Miss Florence Berry, of Philadelphia, spent a few days of last week with her mother, Mrs. A. Berry.

At a recent meeting of the Epworth League Rev. D. J. Givan was elected president of the League.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Vandegrift have returned home after spending the winter months at Aberdeen, S. C.

Rev. R. L. Hallett is in Pocomoke City this week attending the session of the Presbytery being held there.

Mrs. George L. Townsend and daughter, Mrs. E. Ballord Lodge, were Wilmington visitors on Saturday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Urie P. Ginn and son Wilson spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Verna Vinyard, at Warwick, Md.

The Ushers' Union was very pleasantly entertained on Tuesday evening of this week at the parsonage by Rev. and Mrs. D. J. Givan.

The friends of Mrs. J. F. Douglas gave her a very pleasant suspriee on Monday evening by gathering at her home, the occasion being the anniversary of her birth. After playing games refreshments consisting of ice cream, cake, coffee, bananas and candies were served. Mrs. Douglas received quite a number of post cards from friends. After spending a very pleasant evening all left for their homes wishing her many more happy birthdays.

TOWNSEND

Mrs. Nellie Money visited Middletown on Tuesday.

Mrs. Jennie Staats is visiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Benjamin West and daughter spent Monday in Smyrna.

Miss Ethel Dayett, of Clayton, visited friends in town on Friday.

Aaron Reynolds, of Smyrna, is visiting John Townsend and family.

Earl Shockley, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Calvin Outten, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with his parents here.

Mrs. Agnes Ginn, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ginn visited Mr. and Mrs. James Ginn, near Odessa, on Sunday.

Mrs. John Lattomus and Mrs. Sallie Rasin were brief visitor in Clayton on Monday.

Miss Ethel Hurd, of near Mt. Pleasant, is visiting Mrs. John Parvis.

Mrs. Hodgson visited friends in Clayton on Tuesday.

The members of the Y held their social meeting in the Church hall on Wednesday evening.

Rev. F. C. MacSorley preached a very interesting sermon to the children on Sunday evening.

John Carpenter, Jr., and Joe Hutchison spent Sunday with Walter Lee and wife, near Smyrna.

Miss Alma Lynam, of Wilminton, was an over Sunday visitor with Miss Ethelwyn Maloney.

Miss Mary Money returned home on Saturday after a very pleasant trip with Wilmington friends.

Mrs. Agnes Ginn and Miss Edith Ginn visited Mr. and Mrs. Goldsborough, of near Warwick, on Tuesday.

Miss Ella Maloney entertained over Sunday Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Gehring, Miss Elsie Adelm and Mr. Harry Scott, of Roxborough, Pa.

ANTI-LICENSE CONVENTION

DOVER, Del., April 18.—Laymen of both political parties will sit together in a convention next week.

The program for the big "no license" convention as completed to-day calls for a state rally in Wesley M. E Church, Dover, next Monday night, at which it is expected, delegates or representatives will be present from every voting precinct in the state.

The committee has selected George Massey Jones, of Dover, a Presbyterian layman and well-known lawyer, to preside. Some of the finest speakers in the East will with Delaware men, make ten-minute addresses for the information of the convention and assembled masses as to how other states have won victories for "no license."

These speakers will include: A. M. Daly and Lieutenant-Governor I. T. Parker, laymen; J. H. Anderson, of Baltimore, superintendent of the anti-saloon league; Dr. M. V. Poulson, of New York, field secretary of the Reform Association; Frank M. Jones, banker, of Georgetown; Joseph Brown Turner, Presbyterian minister, of Dover; and probably Rev. Alexander Alison, of Wilmington.

NO HAND ON THE THROTTLE

Engineer Edward Austin and Fireman Carroll W. Gaines had an unpleasant experience while taking a long freight train through the tunnel below Union Station at Baltimore on Monday morning. Both were overcome by the smoke and gas in the tunnel, and the train ran for several miles with no hand on the throttle until the fresh air revived the engineer, the fireman not recovering consciousness until long afterward. It is almost a miracle that no accident occurred, as the other trainmen knew nothing of the men in the cab. Both were made so ill they were compelled to ask for relief and return to their homes in Wilmington.

PORT PENN

Miss Ethel Saxton spent Sunday with her parents.

Messrs. Harvey E. and Howard Moore visited Riverside this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Watkins, of Odessa, made a short call in town.

Artie Dyer who has been working for some months in New York State, returned on Wednesday for a brief sojourn.

Dr. Philip R. Cleaver, of Johnstown, Pa., and Miss Mary Lloyd Malon were married on Tuesday at the young lady's residence in West Philadelphia.

At the morning service of the Presbyterian Church last Sunday the report of the treasurer for the year ending March 31st was read, and the glad announcement made that the church was entirely free of debt.

LETTER TO H. L. DAVIS

Middletown, Del.

Dear Sir: The cheekiest fraud in all paint is paste paint, Here's one.

Lawyer Arley B Magee, Dover, Del, painted his house four years ago with paste paint at a cost of $44 for paint and $61 for labor; total $105. The house got shabby in two years; then he painted Devoe at very different cost. $18 for paint and $30 for labor total $48.

[Paste paint $105; Devoe $48.]

It is like fatting hogs on milk ¾ water. Paste paint is ¾ whitewash.

Yours truly
F W DEVOE & CO.

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P. S. J. F. McWhorter & Son sell our paint.

THOROUGHBRED HORSE FOR SMYRNA

"Frank W. Bevan, proprietor of the Smyrna House, has purchased a thoroughbred driving horse that is attracting more attention among turfmen. The colt, which was purchased from Mr. John B. Price, of Townsend, was sired by Dr. McCoy's famous stallion "Torino," which has a record of 2.12. Mr. Bevan's horse gives promise of being one of the fast horses of this vicinity and his friends are congratulating him upon his purchase. The horse is built on excellent lines, has fine action and makes a good appearance." —*Smyrna Times.*

MISS LEA WILL WED MAY 4

Preparations are being made for the wedding of Miss Alice Lea, daughter of Governor Lea, to William C. Sprunce, Jr., son of Judge William C. Sprunce, which will take place on Saturday, May 4. The ceremony will be performed at "The Orchards," Delaware City, the summer home of Governor Lea.

Harry I. Gillis New Detective

DOVER, Del. April 18.—Harry I. Gillis was appointed State detective by Governor Lea to-day. He is a resident of Wilmington, former sheriff of New Castle County and a Republican. The office has been vacant several months.

Governor Lea signed the general appropriation bills and also the bill authorizing New Castle to borrow $100,000.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. FOARD.

Wheat—No. 1	.70	Corn—	
No. 2	.75	Yellow, shelled	50
Timothy Seed	$3.00	" cob	50
Clover Seed lb	.15	Oats	60

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	13@17
Country Butter, per lb	36
Creamery Butter, per lb	38
Lard, per lb	11¼@14
Live Chickens, per lb	12@15
Potatoes	35@40

Citizens' National Bank
OF MIDDLETOWN

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., April 20th, 1907.

A meeting of the Stockholders of the Citizens' National Bank of Middletown will be held at its Banking House on **Tuesday, May 21st, 1907,** between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 12 o'clock noon, to amend the articles of association changing the number of directors from nine to ten.

JOHN S. CROUCH, Cashier.

FOR SALE!

Cow Peas, $2.50 to $2.75 bu.
Medium Clover Seed, $7.50 to $8.50 bu.
Crimson Clover Seed, $3.75 to $4.50 bu.
Maine grown Seed Potatoes, $2.50 bag
Onion Sets, $2.25 to $3.00 bu

JOSEPH E. HOLLAND,
Milford, Delaware.

Notice!

Having thoroughly repaired my mill, I am now prepared to grind all kinds of Grain at short notice.

Corn and Cob Meal
A Specialty
W. H. VOSHELL.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1906 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be
AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART,
IN TOWNSEND, DEL.,
SATURDAYS,
APRIL 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, '07
From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

SECTION 35. That on all taxes paid before the first day of August there shall be an abatement of 5 per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid after the first day of December five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

WILLIAM H. MONEY,
Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

The Transcript, $1

WEAK HEARTS

Are Frequently Caused by Indigestion

If you eat a little too much, or if you are subject to indigestion, you have no doubt had shortness of breath.

Indigestion causes the stomach to expand and puff up against the heart. This crowds the heart and interferes with its action, then in the course of time the heart becomes diseased. It is necessary in these conditions to employ the use of digestive agents which take the strain off the heart and gives strength and relief to every organ of the body. An eminent specialist has suggested the following formula: Kastor Compound, 1 oz; Fluid Extract Cascara Aromatic, 1 oz; Tr. Cinchona Compound 2½ oz. These can be obtained from your local druggist at a small cost, and will afford a world of relief in any of the forms of indigestion, dyspepsia, sour stomach, inflamation of the mucous membrane, lining of the stomach and digestive tract, nervous system and catarrh of the stomach.

NOTICE!

Middletown, Delaware, March 5th, 1906
Having rented the business stand of the late John W. Jolls, in connection with the Grain business, I am now prepared to furnish my customers and the public with the best grades of Coal, Wood, Lime, Feed, &c. I respectfully solicit a continuance of your patronage at the stand of the late John W. Jolls, Railroad Ave.

S. B. FOARD.

Special Sale of MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

BIG SAVINGS IN PRETTY LINGERIE

We were extremely fortunate in securing a large quantity of this season's latest styles in Muslin Underwear at a special reduction in price.

The manufacturer needed ready money to purchase materials for future need and offered us an inducement if we would help him out.

We want our patrons to benefit by this transaction so have made the price extremely low—just high enough to warrant us making a small profit on the deal.

All new, fresh, desirable merchandise.

Come and get your share of the unusual values.

Lippincott & Co.
Wilmington, Del.

The Transcript, $1

CORSETS!

"NEMO" Self-Reducing CORSETS

Is the Only perfect Corset for the Stout Woman.

No. 312 for the tall stout woman, **$3.00.**
No. 314 for the short stout woman, **$3.00.**
The new F. P. Corset, **$1.00,** style and fit are perfect.
P. N. Corsets, **75c.** and **$1.00.**
N. H. Corsets, **50c.**
Thompson Glove Fitting, **$1.00** and **$1.50.**
R. and G., **$1.00** and **$1.50.**
The best Corset stock from which to make your selection.

Boys' Clothing

Money saving values. See them! $2.50 to $5.00.

The best to be had at the popular prices. The greatest variety; the best values.

Men's High-grade Shoes

Walkover Shoes, in Boots and Oxfords, **$4.00** and **$5.00.**
Douglas, **$2.50, $3.00** and **$3.50.**

Women's Oxfords

All leathers. "Queen Quality," **$3.00.**

Children's Educator Shoes

Designed to let the foot grow as it should.

Sizes, 6 to 8, **$1.50**; 8 1-2 to 11, **$1.75**; 11 1-2 to 2, **$2.00.**

Children's Oxfords

In tan and patent leather, **$1.25** and **$1.50.** All kinds of new toe shapes.

Store Closes at 8 P. M.

J. B. MESSICK,

Cochran Block, Middletown.

BURSTAN'S
POPULAR CORNER STORE

OUR SPRING DISPLAY of Merchandise is Greater and Better Than Ever.....

MEN'S, WOMENS' and CHILDRENS' SHOES FOR EASTER

MEN'S and BOYS' CLOTHING

For the past week we have been receiving hundreds of pairs of shoes every day.

Our Men's $2.50 Shoes, made in all leathers, in plain and Blucher styles. These shoes are well worth $3.00.

Our Women's $2.50 Shoes, made in Vici Kid and Patent Colt Skin. This shoe is equal to and better than many of the advertised brands at one dollar more.

Children's Stylish and good wearing shoes that are comfortable and will hold their shape. Prices from 50c up to $2.00.

Spring styles in Ladies Shirt Waists. We have about 20 different styles from 50c up to $3.98.

S. BURSTAN
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE
CORNER BROAD AND MAIN STS

Spring Overcoats

Top Coats and Rain Coats. New up to-date styles and makes. Spring Overcoats $6 to $25. Rain Coats $10 to $25. Top Coats $6 to $20. Spring Suits $5 to $25. Special extreme styles for Young Men at $15 to $25. Boys' and Little Boys' Suits, Overcoats and Reefers. Suits $2 to $15; Reefers and Top Coats $3 to $10. New Spring Hats, Shoes and Furnishings. Headquarters for Stetson Hats. New Shirts, Underwear, Neckwear, fine Hosiery. Suit Cases, Grips and Trunks in our Hat Department.

Biggest Because Best **MULLIN'S** Clothing Hats Shoes
Wilmington

Our Summer Goods

ARE COMING IN DAILY
A FULL LINE
W B CORSETS

For all Shaped Women.

LADIES' HOSIERY in plain or lace, 10c to 50c.

CHILDRENS' HOSIERY, all sizes in black and white, 10c to 25c.

We carry the largest line of ladies' and childrens' Muslin Underwear in town.

If you need anything for the baby we have a full assortment in long or short clothes.

What about the school girl? Is she ready for the warm weather? She is invited to see our large line of school dress in about 25 different styles. Also a large line of white dresses, all sizes.

A. FOGEL

Middletown, Delaware

HEAD TROUBLES

Are usually caused by Eye Strain. If you have headaches have your eyes examined for the trouble.

Examination FREE
Satisfaction Guaranteed

M. B. Burstan
OPTICIAN

East Main St. MIDDLETOWN

REGISTER'S ORDER.

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF WILLS, NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., Apr. 2 1907.

Upon the application of Florence D. Gill and John D. Gill, Executors of John Drummond late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Executors aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such letters in six of the most public place of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcript a newspaper published in Middletown, Delaware, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

(Seal)

FRANCIS M. WALKER, Register of Wills.

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FLORENCE D. GILL,
JOHN D. GILL,
Executors.

Address,
Middletown, Delaware.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., April 15, 1907

Upon the application of Mordecai T. Gibson Administrator de bonis non cum testamento annexo of Mary G. Hutchison late of Appoquinimink Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administrator aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

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MORDECAI T. GIBSON,
Administrator.

Address, Martin B Burris Esq
Middletown, Delaware.

THE INITIATION OF FLORENCE

BY ROSE WILLIS JOHNSON

A keen wind blew from the north, with dreary moaning through leafless branches. The yellow sunset had given place to steely tints. Twilight was at hand, and Domley and his boys turned their log teams home-ward into the new-cut road with sighs of satisfaction.

I'm hungry enough to eat a mule, Tom remarked, avoiding a deep rut. I'll be glad when the logs are in. Wonder if dad ever gets tired? He never lets on.

Ben, slower of speech and movement, scarcely glanced from his horse's neck. Yes, he gets tired, he answered, presently. He's not iron.

I wish Rene cared less for society and more for us boys! Tom grumbled. Dinner was abomnible! I guess she don't know how bacon and cold boiled potatoes taste—from a dinner-pail. She's selfish clear through, like all girls. She thinks she's all right; maybe she is; but home isn't. It's not what it was when ma was here.

His voice reached farther than he knew. Domley, on the leader, turned and gave a backward, somber look. Sudden silence fell, broken only by the creaking of chains and rattle of wheels. When they spoke again it was about the morrow's work. Domley did not encourge idle conversation.

Tom's grievance was, to him, a real one. The religion of old days had been the religion of comfort. The passing of its meek disciple wrought inevitable changes. There was more lamplight in the parlor now, more calling, more meeting of benevolent societies. These things were all right, but Tom resented the bacon and cold potatoes.

Where the road touched the lane a flying figure evaded the lead team, and stopped, panting, before the boys, almost under their horses' feet. It was thirteen-year-old Florence, the baby.

O Ben, she cried, breathlessly, do let me ride, won't you? Tessie Birch is at our house. They're in the parlor, practising Easter music. They are sweet as lilies, the songs are. I'm going to the services Sunday, aren't you? Can't I ride, Ben?

Ben swung her easily to a place behind him on the horse, and she clasped him about the waist, snuggling her cold nose against his back.

I wish you'd wear something on your head, he remonstrated. It's a wonder you don't die! Have they got anything good to eat at home?

Mackerel! disdainfully. Rice, potatoes, biscuit and coffee. Bread scorched. Better hurry—everything's scorching!

Oh, well, they're singing! Tom snarled. I say, Ben, you're your own man after to-morrow. I'd light out! I'd hunt up Uncle Bart. I don't intend to work on here when my time's up. A fellow gets neither money nor thanks.

You hush up! Florence flashed. Ben isn't going to light out; he's going to stay with me! I guess things aren't burnt, anxiously. Is it your birthday to-morrow, Ben?

I guess it is. He withdrew from her embrace and slid hastily to the ground, closing the big gate behind his wagon. Run along to the house now, Babe. I have to feed the horses. It's too mortal cold for you to be out.

I'll go with you, she volunteered, stoutly. Let me—I'll help. You aren't going to light out, Ben, are you?

Bother! Ben roughly brushed her aside. You're the awfullest kid when you get a notion! Run on to the house; I mean what I say!

When Ben used that tone Florence ceased importunities. She turned discontentedly toward the lighted square of the kitchen window. She wanted to be with Ben. He was her idol—Ben, the taciturn. In infancy it was his shoulder she loved best. In days of measles and croup he was her savior. Now, as then, he was the one being altogether lovely, without spot or blemish.

Ben made his horses comfortable, then went to the house, which looked inviting after the biting outer air. Logs were ablaze on the hearth, and the table was daintily spread. He seated himself, and Florence took possession of his knee.

We're going to have preserved pears, she whispered, encouragingly. I'd eat a lot if I were you!

At the table her irrepressibility broke out afresh.

Do you know to-morrow is Ben's birthday? she demanded.

Mr. Domley paused a moment, fork in hand. Rene smiled across at her brother.

Twenty-one! she exclaimed. Ben a voter! I'll give a dinner in honor of the event. Consider yourselves invited, all of you!

As Domley left the room that evening he turned gruffly to his elder son. We won't work to-morrow, he said. I'm going to mill. You can knock around.

It was lengthy speech for him, and a gracious one. Ben felt the compliment. All right, he said, in almost his father's way. I'm not sorry.

Tom was not so reticent. The promise of a day's rest and an old time dinner warmed his blood.

Help Rene clean up, he whispered to Florence, as he lighted his stub of candle at the log. I'm going to ask some fellows home to dinner. Have something decent to eat.

With the first light Florence shivered into her clothes. It was Saturday, and Ben's birthday. There was much to do which must be done well.

So well was it done that by nine o'clock the house reflected a wonderful luster.

Rene was at the mirror when Florence came sidling in

Flo, the elder sister called, pleasantly, if you'll do something for me I'll give you a dime! There is plenty of bread and butter, milk and cheese, and there are three pumpkin pies. Father'll be out late, and no telling when the boys will get in. When they come set out their dinner, and you shall have the dime

Slow dismay usurped the bustling cheerfulness of the child's face. Where are *you* going? she demanded.

To the church. Tessie and I—

But *Ben?* Florence interrupted, breathlessly. It's Ben's birthday! And you said—

O hush! Rene gave her hair a vicious twist, and jabbed in a hairpin. Ben won't be in before night. I'll get him a good dinner to-morrow; perhaps I'll invite the minister over. I have to go to-day; I'm on the flower committee. You'll do all right. If you're lonesome have Ida Barton come over.

I don't want Ida Barton, and you're too mean to live! Florence choked. You are! I'm not going to your old church again—see if I do! You told Ben——

Now, that will do! Rene inserted the last pin, and took a critical survey of herself. I'm not Ben's slave, nor yours. You will do what I say. With Rover here there is nothing to be afraid of.

I'm afraid of nothing but *meanness!* Florence stormed. But words failed. She turned and fled, banging the door in a way to make the toilet articles jump in astonishment.

Spitfire! Rene commented, pinning on her hat. She's dreadful! I don't know what is to become of her! I must hurry. I wonder if Mr. Morgie will be there to help us?

When the storm was over Florence came back to the deserted kitchen. It was nearly ten by the fat Dutch clock in the corner. The kettle simmered very invitingly, and an expectant air pervaded the place. Florence's face wore a look of determination.

Ben is going to have his birthday dinner, she announced to the clock. You needn't look blank and cross your hands. I'm going to cook it myself!

It was very cold. There was nothing to save the Easter promise from the sword of the frost. Florence's pets, the barn-yard fowls, huddled together in sunny corners, looking frowsy and windblown. She went out among them, pan in hand, her ears tingling. She was a Judas; she meant to betray.

They knew no fear of her. She picked up a young cochin, who merely reached round in an effort to secure the corn in her hand.

Oh, you poor thing! she whimpered, feeding him. I *have* to have you—for Ben. It won't hurt but a minute. I know the ax is sharp—*oh!*

She leaned against the fence, white and sick, and the chicken flopped. When all was still she ventured to peep. The deed was done. Shuddering violently, she snatched up her victim and fled, leaving his heartless brethren fighting over the pan.

One unconsciously imbibes information. How to remove the feathers did not trouble her now that she had solved the problem of his head. She rose with the strength of conviction—she knew she could cook!

How nice it must be to be Rene—to have passed beyond dish-washing! It occurred to her to *be* Rene, and she donned a discarded wrapper and aped her sister's ways. Her enthusiasm grew. She prepared vegetables, and watched the pot, from which rich odors began to rise. Then she turned her attention to the fruit cellar.

Rene was very particular about her fruit. It was there "for show," Tom asserted in spleenful moments. There were vandal hands upon it now. Two of the choicest jars and a mold of jelly went to do honor to Ben's majority.

Ben, meanwhile, was walking soberly homeward. His heart was heavy with the discouragement which falls easily upon the young. How many times had he plowed these fields? How many times gathered the harvests—for others?

Tom had given voice to a thought long dormant in his mind. Why linger in the rut, why go on as father and grandfather had done before him?

There was youth's natural longing for change, coupled with silent, soaring ambition. Who knew to what heights he might not climb? There was none to care for him here, none save little Florence.

O mother! he whispered, with a sudden sob. *Mother!*

Behind him a merry "Hallo!" from lusty lungs made him turn quickly. Tom and three of his friends were coming up from town. One of them was the young minister upon whom—Tom asserted—Rene was casting gentle glances.

Wait, Ben! Tom called. Going home? So are we. The boys and Mr. Morgie are here to do justice to Rene's cooking. Fly up, and let's hear you crow!

Ben colored under the tan of past summers as he awkwardly greeted his friends. A sinking of the heart told him how little reliance he placed upon his sister's promise. What if untidy hearth and empty cupboard awaited them?

He was sullenly angry at Tom's rashness. The moment gave him a flash of self-revelation. He was sensitive to the opinion of others; he was proud.

If home is as Rene usually keeps it, he thought, *I'll leave it forever!*

Outwardly he was shy and quiet. I am glad to see you, boys, he said. I'm not ready to crow yet—not till after dinner. Cold Easter, Mr. Morgie. Do you think this snap has killed the fruit?

Florence had just completed the preparations for her banquet and was proudly surveying results when there came a great stamping and laughing in the hall. The boys—and the preacher! She peeped and retreated, a demure, maidenly figure with dancing eyes.

Tom stared. Where's Rene? he demanded. Not gone, has she? Well! What have you for dinner, Babe?

Somewhat disconcerted, he led his guests into the parlor. Ben stood where he had paused. He was looking at the table, invitingly draped in snowy white, graced by his mother's pretty, old-fashioned china and silver. Something unsteadied the hand he extended.

Did *you* fix it for me, Babe? he asked, and Florence nodded confusedly, hanging her head.

I did the best I could, she faltered. I didn't think about company, but just of you.

Thank you, Babe. Let's think of each other from now on; shall we? I'll do my part by you and father; I'll stand by you. Come, give me a kiss for my birthday!

The new cook looked up into her brother's face. She saw there something which made her shiver rapturously. Ben was pleased with her; Ben was happy! With a glad little gurgle she went to his embrace, pressing rosy lips to his.

One for mother, she whispered. Oh, how proud she'd be if she could see you, a really, truly man, old enough to vote!

Ben's birthday dinner was a great success. Young people are merry over little things, and after her first confusion Florence entered into the hilarity of the occasion, not, however, forgetting her dignity as mistress of the board. There were toasts proposed and answered, jests and friendly repartee.

In the midst of it all the door opened suddenly, and Rene stood upon the threshold.

Enjoyment sparkled in Tom's eyes. O Rene! he called. Come in, Rene! Better late than never! You asked us—or some of us—to Ben's birthday dinner, you know, and here we are! So glad you've come! Will you have a bone—there isn't anything else left?

The girl made a gesture of dissent, turning away her crimsoned face. With an unintelligible murmur of greeting and apology she withdrew, carrying with her a confused impression of happy young faces on each of which was a look which made her tingle sensitively.

She had a bad half-hour alone with herself, the sounds of mirth coming up from below. Every sound was a stab, making her wince and writhe. For she was not, as she declared herself to be, a monument of selfishness. She was but a thoughtless, pleasure-loving girl, who had not yet arrived at her mother's moral stature.

The promise of the day before, which had been given so lightly, had been brushed aside for a task more pleasurable. Now it came to her that a promise, although made in jest, is sacred. Ben had trusted her, acted upon her word. She did not know how results had been accomplished, how he had been spared from humiliation, but she had failed him.

Then she thought of his quiet, unyouthful ways, and her heart burned. What a good brother he was, toiling manfully at his father's side, year in, year out, to provide home comforts!

She put her face down on her arms and wept a little, then turned to a better penitence, the sorrow for wrong which expresses itself in deeds.

It required some moral courage to go down to her brothers' guests, and by her cheerful, girlish presence brighten their social hour; but this she did, and Ben was forgiving, Tom, for once, magnanimous. Nothing was done to remind her she had failed in the home—the place where failures are hardest to bear.

And be it said, from that day, although Florence's initiation was successful, she was not forced to accept life's lessons all at once but took remaining degrees at her leisure. For with Rene as the home angel, the old life of love and comfort was re established.

WASHINGTON LETTER

Washington D. C. April 13, 1907.

EVENTS "out in the country" are being carefully watched from the White House for it is recognized that the fight for the next Presidential nomination is already on and from this time forward there will be a constant succession of plots and counter plots, the more exasperating and harder to fight from the fact that it will be bushwhacking and not fighting in the open. It is generally recognized by the politicians that the President is more popular anywhere in the country than he is in Washington. This does not mean among the resident population of Washington for that has no vote and does not count. But the political population that is assembled on Capital Hill for the most of each year is by no means friendly as a whole to the President, and the most difficult thing in the coming struggle will be to pick out friends from foes and know who is really devoted to the President and the policies represented by him. The men of affairs who are friends of the President are being closely questioned as to the country whenever they come to Washington from out of town and the concensus of opinion gleaned in this way may perhaps be safely taken as a fair indication of the general sentiment. The reports are that the President is stronger in almost all parts of the country with the voting population then he has ever before. At the same time it is recognized that he is going to have the Republican machine to fight in many of the stronger states, and this will mean an immense amount of work. Reports that reach the White House are not all favorable to Secretary Taft in Ohio. Of course the fight from his side has scarcely begun there yet, but one of the best politicians in the country, who has just come back to Washington from a visit to Columbus, says that Foraker is bound to win the state fight. And this if it is true will be a handicap to his aspirations for the nomination. It will not mean his certain defeat but it will point strongly that way. Of course the President has said that he is not backing Taft or any other man personally. All he wants is someone who is independent of corporate influence and free and willing to carry out the so-called Roosevelt policies. Of course if it is not Taft, it might be Hughes or it might be Hughes or it might be Root, though this is unlikely, or it might be someone else. Or it might be President Roosevelt himself. He has said that he does not want the nomination again and he has repeated it so often that he must be tired of saying it. But the sentiment of the country seems to be pointing strongly toward forcing the nomination on him whether he wants it or not and there may be a cyclone that he cannot withstand. One thing is certain, and that the states are getting rapidly into line for the fight and a number of the staunchest political leaders have said they are ready to pledge the several delegations to the President if he wants them himself and that they may be able to hold them in line for the men of his choice.

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Secretary Bonaparte through the President has settled the whiskey label question. There has been a fight for months for the interpretation of the Pure Food and Drug Act so that the dealers might know how to label whiskey. The distillers and the bottled-in-bond people claimed that nothing was whiskey or could be called by that name that had been through a bonded warehouse. The rectifiers who make whiskey out of anything from prune juice to high proof spirits held that anything that looked, smelled and tasted like whiskey could be so called. The decision of the Attorney General is Solomon like in its wisdom and clearness. He says in effect that anything is whiskey is whiskey but anything that is not whiskey is something else." This splits the difference very nicely between the purists in whiskey and leave sthe matter that where it will have eventually to be settled by the courts, which would have been done in any case.

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Dr. Wiley has been one of the champions of pure whiskey through the fight and nearly all of the correspondents saw him on the night the decision was given out and begged him for a talk on what the decision really meant and how he liked it. But Dr. Wiley was not to be drawn into any official discussion and evaded all importunities. Late at night one of the correspondents called him up by telephone and demanded that he say some-thing for publication. Anything would do, the correspondent assured him, anything touching on the Pure Food Law and the general subject of proper branding of products. "All right then," said the doctor, "I'll stand for being quoted if you will adhere to what I tell you and not misquote me." The interlocutor at the other end of the phone bightened up at this and said cheerfully, "Go ahead. I'll use anything you say." "Very well," said the Doctor. "You can say that the Department of Agriculture is going to institute a prosecution through the Department of Justice against Prof. Willis Moore (Chief of the Weather Bureau) on the ground of misbranding this weather we are having and calling it April when it ought to be labeled Imitation March. 2" Washington weather lately has been just about what might be inferred from that remark, and the Chief Chemistrang off chuckling at his own joke.

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There is a rumor in diplomatic circles that the Italian Ambasador Mayor des Planches is going the way of Sir, Mortimer Durand, the late English representative. There has been a report for some time that everything was not so smooth as it might be socially for the Ambassador and point was given to this rumor when the Ambassadress did not return to this country from a recent trip to Italy. It was explained diplomatically that she had not come back to America owning to ill health that would not stand the sickness involved by an ocean voyage. But it is said that the Ambassador is going to take one more trip to the south looking into the conditions for the importation of Italion labor on the farms and then return to Italy to make a report and will not come back to this country. If this is so there will be considerable regret in official circles, for he has been a very welcome visitor at the State Department.

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